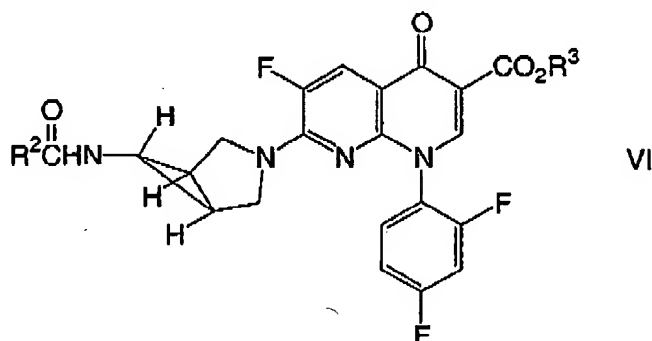


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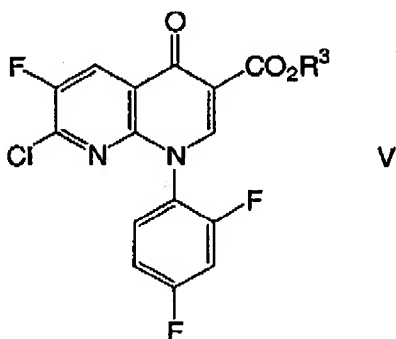
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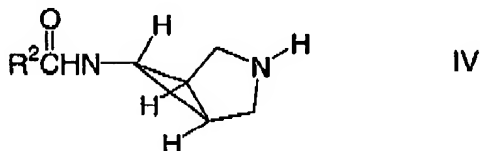
Claim 8 (previously presented). A process for the preparation of a compound of the formula



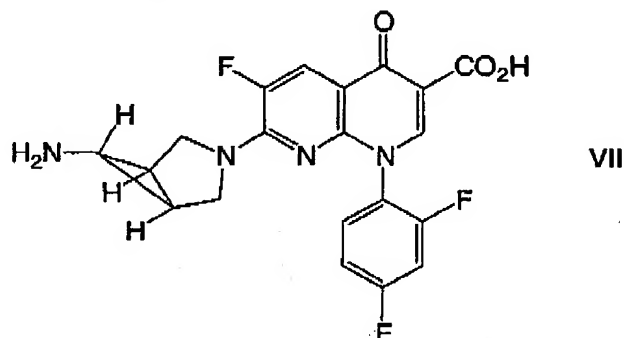
wherein R^2 is C_1 - C_6 alkyl, trifluoromethyl, or phenyl which may be substituted by one or more of C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, halo, nitro, amino or trifluoromethyl, and R^3 is C_1 - C_6 alkyl, which comprises reacting a compound of the formula



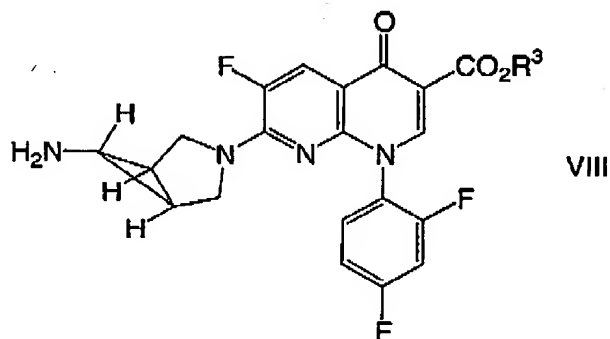
with a compound of the formula



Claim 9 (previously presented). A process comprising hydrolysis of the compound of formula VI with methanesulfonic acid, water and an organic solvent to form a monomethanesulfonic acid salt of a compound of the formula

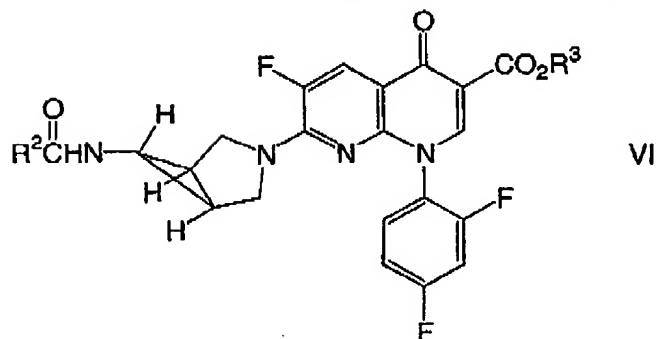


Claim 10 (previously presented). A process comprising hydrolysis of the compound of formula VI with methanesulfonic acid and R^3OH wherein R^3 is C_1-C_6 alkyl to form a monomethanesulfonic acid salt of a compound of the formula



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Claim 11 (original). A compound of the formula



wherein

R² is C₁-C₆ alkyl, trifluoromethyl, or phenyl which may be substituted by one or more of C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, halo, nitro, amino or trifluoromethyl, and R³ is C₁-C₆ alkyl.

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